## I CLAIM:

- A reinforced rib of a three-folded umbrella having three-rib to
  compose a frame of the umbrella, wherein the improvement is to
  provide a reinforced rod being received and engaged within the second
  rib of the frame.
  - 2. A reinforced rib of a three-folded umbrella as claimed in claim 1, wherein the reinforced rod has a U-shaped cross section.
- 3. A reinforced rib of a three-folded umbrella as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cross section of the reinforced rod can be circular, semi-circular, D-shaped, triangle, W-shaped, V-shaped, or M-shaped.
  - 4. A reinforced rib of a three-folded umbrella as claimed in claim 1, wherein the umbrella is collapsible either manually or automatically